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Sir:

RESPONSE A

In response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2002, please amend the claims and reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims: In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121(c), please amend the claims as shown in Appendix I. The highlighted version can be found in Appendix II.

In the specification: In the title please delete "CONTINUOUS PROCESS FOR PREPARING A POLYURETHANE LATEX" and substitute therefor, HIGH SOLIDS CONTENT POLYURETHANE LATEX." A highlighted version and clean version of page 1 is enclosed.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending in this application. Claim 1 has been amended to reflect the fact that the claimed polyurethane latex contains not more than 1 weight percent solvent and is a stable latex. Basis for this amendment can be found on page 8, line 27 of